Greater Phoenix Area - Reservations are now being accepted for the 233rd U.S. Navy Birthday Ball, a Navy tradition, which will be held on Saturday, October 18, 2008, at the Tempe Mission Palms Hotel, 60 E. 5th Street, Tempe. The theme is, "Our Navy in the 1940's." The public is invited, especially persons who support the troops and veterans.

Social Hour at 6:00 p.m., Dinner at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Evening Program and Dancing.

Dinner choices are:

Bistro Steak, Pesto Seared Chicken Breast, or Pasta Primavera.

Dinner cost for military and their guests is: \$30.00 per person for E-1 to E-4 and guest; \$35 per person for E-5 to E-6 and guest; \$45 per person for E-7 to 0-4 and guest; and \$55 per person for O-5 and above and guest.

Civilians who are not guests of military: \$55 per person.

Ticket prices increase by \$5 on September 1st. Free valet parking.

Arizona sailors and Marines back from deployment overseas will be honored. There will be a special tribute to WWII veterans.

Dance music will be provided by the Cliff Wright Band. Military Uniform is Dinner Dress Blue Jacket or Service Equivalent. Formal civilian attire is authorized for all guests.

To attend the Navy Birthday Ball, please contact Registrar Jenny Callan at: jcallan4@cox.net, telephone (480) 584-3611; or Registrar Carol Culbertson at: carolculbertson@earthlink.net, telephone (602) 943-7834, by October 14.